

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A portable personal server device comprising:
[[A]] a local server [[means]] for processing data between itself and a communication terminal equipped with a network connection means;
[[A]] a network server [[means]] for processing data between itself and a network connected to the communication terminal by said communication terminal's network connection function;
[[An]] an individual authentication means authenticator for authenticating an individual based on biological biometric information; and
[[A]] a control [[means]] that makes said local server [[means]] and said network [[means]] useable only when authenticated by said individual authentication means authenticator.
2. (Currently amended) A portable personal server device according to claim 1, wherein said individual authentication means authenticator is equipped with a biological biometric information recognition device such as a fingerprint sensor, etc., and authenticates an individual according to whether or not biological biometric information read by the biological biometric information recognition device matches registered biological biometric information that was previously registered.
3. (Currently amended) A portable personal server device according to claim 2, wherein it comprises further comprising a data encryption means encryptor for encrypting stored data using said read biological biometric information.
4. (Currently amended) A portable personal server device according to claim 2, wherein it comprises further comprising a communication encryption means encryptor that, when said read biological biometric information matches said registered biological biometric information, generates and retains a key used in a public key encryption system based on said read biological biometric information, and encrypts the data to be sent using the key.
5. (Currently amended) A portable personal server device according to any of claims 1 through 4, wherein it comprises further comprising a communication cable for connecting to said communication terminal[[],] and it receives receiving power from said communication terminal via said communication cable.

6. (Currently amended) A portable personal server device according to claim 5, wherein said communication cable is USB.